Shirt buttons / studs

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Clothing

Shirt Buttons & Studs

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Answered
LIFE INSURANCE CO.

June 24-38.

Lincoln National Life Ins.Co.
Fort Wayne, Ind.
(Museum Curator.)

Dear Sir-;

After reading an article in Hobbies Magazine I am writing you in regard a Relic in my posession,I have Vest or Shirt Buttons worn by LINCOLN pryor to 1848,a copy of Tarbelles Autobiography shows the button in LINCOLN's Shirt.

The Button,Pearl with Copper Band and Star is plainly visible,this Copy is of a Dagueroty pe made in 1848,now how did I come into posession on the Buttons,h ere it is:

I am a native of Morgan and Sangamon Counties in Illinois,my first Wife's Mother was a Cousin to Lincoln,thru her Husband,Geo.W.Faith I came into posession of Buttons in 1901,I did not consider them of Value untill after the Death of Pa.Faith it was then to late for an affidavit from him.

According to Pa.Faith,th ese buttons were first given to John O'brien a personal friend of Lincoln,said O'brien being a Senior step-brother to Geo.W.Faith,wh en O'brien went West he divided his belongings with relatives,the Buttons going to Pa.Faith.

I,A.C.Deatherage married into the Faith family in June 1901,and in November same after death of Mother Faith I was presented with these Buttons with a meagre history of them.

These Buttons have been highly appraised,but so far I have not found any one that wanted to put out for them,this article i n Hobbie's Magazine states that y ou have many Pictures of LINCOLN,so I thought that you might find proof that these Buttons had an Authentic ownership of same.

If ,Authentic ownership is established and Your Company wishes to purchase them I will consider a sale,however I am not in a give-away mood,I have two Sons to give them too,altho at present tine I could use a little cash.

If ???? Interested in these lines I will be pleased to hear from you in the near Future.

Yours Truly

A.C.Deatherage

1723 Starnes St.

Augusta,Ga.

Souvenir - Jewelry

June 28, 1938

Mr. A. C. Deatherage
1723 Starnes Street
Augusta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Deatherage:

While we thank you very much for calling to our attention the Lincoln curios which you have, inasmuch as we are not deeply interested in curios of this type, I do not think we would care to acquire them.

We are, however, very much interested in the cousinship relation of your first wife's mother to Abraham Lincoln through her husband George W. Faith.

We are starting next month publishing the Lincoln magazine, called Lincoln's Kinsmen and we are alert to any Lincoln family history that has thus far escaped us. The name Faith does not seem to appear in any records which we have. Will you kindly advise us how this relationship existed.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 32.

Lincoln Historical
Research Foundation
Forth Wayne Indiana

Louis Warren

Dear Sir

I have compered my Peper with the Poster you send me and I found it to be No 1. wath wold you offer me for it, I just as well sell it as there is none in my Family that care for any old relic and I am getting old. I had a great dial of Lincolns relic but have given them away and the Shirt buttons I can give you referens that they are genuin Plear write and tell me wath you will give me for the Peper

Very Respectfully

Mrs Emma Barlow
765 Grove st San-Francisco
Calif

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June 2, 1932

Mrs. Emma Barlow
785 Grove Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Madam:

It is very kind of you to offer us the copy of the New York Herald which you have in your possession but inasmuch as we have one similar to it, we would not care to acquire it.

If you care to place a price on the shirt buttons and will give us some references as to their genuineness, we will see if we can dispose of them for you, although we do not collect curios such as this but have a great many calls for them.

Very sincerely yours,

LAW:LH

Director

Shirt Buttons

December 8, 1939

Mrs. Emma Barlow
785 Grove Street
San Francisco, Calif.

My dear Mrs. Barlow:

Many years ago you wrote to us with reference to some shirt buttons that belonged to Abraham Lincoln and mentioned other curios which you had pertaining to the Lincoln family. We are wondering if you are still in possession of them and if you care to dispose of them.

Very truly yours,

LAW:PW
L.A.Warren

Director

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The Hitching Post
2139 Walton Way

ALICE W. GRADY

Augusta Ga.
May 25-1940

Lincolniana Publishing Co.
Fort Wayne Ind.

Dear Sirs -

I have in my possession to sell, a set of pearl studs or weskit buttons that once were the property of Pres. Lincoln.

The buttons are in the original case and I have written proof of their genuineness.

I am asking $50.00 for the set, which is a bargain considering their historical interest.

I would be very glad to hear from you if interested in the studs.

Very truly yours -
Alice W. Grady

June 3, 1940

Miss Alice W. Grady
The Hitching Post
2139 Walton Way
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Miss Grady:

We are indeed pleased to hear of the pearl studs that were supposed to have been the property of Abraham Lincoln.

It is with much regret that I inform you that at the present time I have no idea where we might be able to dispose of the studs for you but will be very happy to keep them in mind and if it is possible that we can find a purchaser for these curios will get in touch with you immediately.

Yours very truly,

Lincolniana Publishers

MAC:PW
M.A.Cook